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WP No. 16632 of 2



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 23-02-2026

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THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE M.DHANDAPANI

WP No. 16632 of 2024

and

WMP No.5445 of 2026

T.R.Chinnan
Graduate Teacher,
Government Aided Middle School,
Karamali Bazaar Post- 642 130
Coimbatore District.

..Petitioner(s)

Vs

1. The Secretary
School Education Department,
Government of Tamil Nadu
Fort St. George Chennai 600 009
2. The Director of Elementary Education
The Office of The Elementary Education,
College Road, Chennai 600 006
3. The Chief Educational Officer
The Chief Educational Office
No 500 Raja Street,
Near Five Corner Town Hall,
Coimbatore 641 001
4. The District Educational Officer (Elementary)
The District Educational Office
Pollachi-642 001



5. The Block Educational Officer
The Block Educational Office,
Valparai- 642 127
6. The Secretary / Correspondent / Manager
Karamalai Aided Middle School,
Karamalai Schools Committee,
Karamalai Bazaar Post-642 130
Coimbatore District
7. D. Amala Daisy Thangam
Head Mistress
Aided Middle School
Karamalai Bazaar Post 642 130
Coimbatore District

..Respondent(s)

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of Constitution of India, to issue a Writ of Certiorarified Mandamus, calling for the records relating to the proceedings passed by the 4th respondent in Na.Ka.No.202 / A4 /2021 dated 12.01.2021 and the 6th respondent in Ref. No 5 / Teachers dated 02.04.2015 and quash the same and consequently direct the 6th respondent to consider the petitioner for promotion and appointment to the post of the Head Master of the 6th respondent school namely Karumalai aided middle school with effect from 01.06.2015 and send the proposal for approval to the 4th respondent and the 5th respondents for passing necessary orders for approval.

For Petitioner(s): Mr.P.Godson Swaminath
for M/s.Isaac Chambers

For Respondent(s): Mrs. Mythreye Chandru for R1 to R5
Special Government Pleader
Mr.M.Ganesh for R7
Mr.N.Manokaran for R6



ORDER

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This petition has been filed challenging the impugned orders passed by the 4th respondent on 12.01.2021 and the 6th respondent on 02.04.2015, and seeks a direction to the 6th respondent to consider the petitioner for promotion and appointment to the post of the Head Master of the 6th respondent school, namely Karumalai Aided Middle School with effect from 01.06.2015, and to forward the proposal for approval to the 4th respondent and 5th respondents for necessary approval.

2.The case of the petitioner is that he holds an M.Sc., B.Ed., and is a teacher in Mathematics. He was appointed as a Graduate Teacher in the 6th respondent School on 08.09.2009 and was approved as a Graduate Mathematics Teacher by the 4th respondent. The grievance of the petitioner is that he is the senior-most teacher in the 6th respondent school. However, vide order of the 6th respondent dated 02.04.2015, the 7th respondent was promoted and transferred from Government Aided Primary School, Akkamalai to Karumalai Aided Middle School with effect from 01.06.2015, and the same was approved by the 4th respondent /District Educational officer, Pollachi, vide order dated 12.01.2021. Challenging the same, the present writ petition has been filed.



3. The learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that the petitioner is the senior most teacher in the Government Aided Middle School, Karumalai, whereas the 7th respondent may be the senior-most person in the Government Aided Elementary School, Akkamalai. However, promotion must be considered only within the respective units in terms of Rule 15(4) of Tamil Nadu Private School Regulation Rules, and the said rule has been violated. Hence, he prayed for appropriate orders.

4. However, the learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 5 filed a counter affidavit stating it is a Corporate Management, and they maintain seniority within the Corporate Management. If this is the case, it should be intimated to the respective teachers regarding the seniority maintained by the Corporate Management, which has not been done in the present case. Accordingly, this Court may permit the petitioner to file a detailed representation or appeal before the Joint Director of the Elementary Education (Aided) within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. This Court may also direct the Joint Director of the Elementary Education (Aided) to conduct an enquiry involving the petitioner, the 7th respondent, and the School Management and pass appropriate orders. The petitioner may be permitted to raise all relevant grounds during the enquiry.



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5.The learned counsel for the 6th respondent has no serious objection to the submission made by the learned Special Government Pleader appearing for the respondents 1 to 5.

6.In view of the above, the petitioner is directed to file a detailed representation or appeal before the Joint Director of Elementary Education (Aided), Directorate of Elementary Education, DPI Campus, College Road, Chennai-600 006, within a period of two weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Upon receipt of such representation, the Joint Director of Elementary Education(Aided) is directed to conduct an enquiry involving the petitioner, the 7th respondent, and the School Management, and to pass appropriate orders after affording an opportunity of hearing to all parties, including the 7th respondent and the Corporate Management, within a period of twelve weeks thereafter.



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7. With the above direction, this Writ Petition stands disposed of. No costs. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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Index: Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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